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To establish the Steel Industry National Historic Park in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DOYLE (for himself and Mr. COYNE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

To establish the Steel Industry National Historic Park in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Steel Industry Na-
5 tional Historic Park Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS, PURPOSES, AND DEFINITIONS.**

7 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Certain sites and structures in the Com-
9 monwealth of Pennsylvania symbolize in physical

1 form the heritage of the steel industry of the United
2 States.

3 (2) A very large proportion of the buildings and
4 other structures in the Commonwealth of Pennsyl-
5 vania are nationally significant historical resources,
6 including the United States Steel Homestead Works,
7 the Carrie Furnace complex, and the Hot Metal
8 Bridge.

9 (3) Despite substantial efforts for cultural pres-
10 ervation and historical interpretation by the Com-
11 monwealth of Pennsylvania and by individuals and
12 public and private entities in the Commonwealth,
13 these buildings and other structures may be lost
14 without the assistance of the Federal Government.

15 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are to pro-
16 vide for the preservation, development, interpretation, and
17 use of the nationally significant historical and cultural
18 sites and structures as described in subsection (a) for the
19 benefit and inspiration of present and future generations.

20 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

21 (1) HISTORIC PARK.—The term “historic park”
22 means the Steel Industry National Historic Park es-
23 tablished by section 3.

24 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
25 the Secretary of the Interior.

1 **SEC. 3. STEEL INDUSTRY NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK.**

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
3 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the Steel Industry Na-
4 tional Historic Park as a unit of the National Park Sys-
5 tem.

6 (b) DESCRIPTION.—The historic park shall be com-
7 prised of the following properties, each of which relate to
8 the former United States Steel Homestead Works:

9 (1) The historic location of the Battle of Home-
10 stead site in the borough of Munhall, Pennsylvania,
11 consisting of approximately 3 acres of land, includ-
12 ing the pumphouse and water tower and related
13 structures, within the property bounded by the
14 Monongahela River, the CSX railroad, Waterfront
15 Drive, and the Damascus-Marcegaglia Steel Mill.

16 (2) The historic location of the Carrie Furnace
17 complex in the boroughs of Swissvale and Rankin,
18 Pennsylvania, consisting of approximately 35 acres
19 of land, including blast furnaces 6 and 7, the ore
20 yard, the cast house, the blowing engine house, the
21 AC power house, and related structures, within the
22 property bounded by the proposed southwesterly
23 right-of-way line needed to accommodate the Mon/
24 Fayette Expressway and the relocated CSX railroad
25 right-of-way, the Monongahela River, and a property

1 line drawn northeast to southwest approximately
2 100 yards east of the AC power house.

3 (3) The historic location of the Hot Metal
4 Bridge, consisting of the Union railroad bridge and
5 its approaches, spanning the Monongahela River and
6 connecting the mill sites in the boroughs of Rankin
7 and Munhall, Pennsylvania.

8 (4) All other property included in the historic
9 park by Federal law or acquired by the Secretary for
10 inclusion in the historic park pursuant to section 4
11 or other Federal law.

12 **SEC. 4. ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY.**

13 To further the purposes of this Act, the Secretary
14 may acquire, by donation, property for inclusion in the his-
15 toric park as follows:

16 (1) Any land or interest in land with respect to
17 the property identified in paragraphs (1), (2), or (3)
18 of section 3(b).

19 (2) Up to 10 acres of land adjacent to or in the
20 general proximity of the property identified in para-
21 graphs (1), (2), or (3) of section 3(b), for the devel-
22 opment of visitor, administrative, museum, curato-
23 rial, and maintenance facilities.

24 (3) Personal property associated with, and ap-
25 propriate for, the interpretation of the historic park.

1 **SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall administer
3 the historic park in accordance with this Act and the pro-
4 visions of law generally applicable to units of the National
5 Park System, including the Act of August 25, 1916 (16
6 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), and the Act of August 21, 1935 (16
7 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

8 (b) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—To further the purposes of
10 this Act, the Secretary may enter into a cooperative
11 agreement with any interested individual, public or
12 private agency, organization, or institution.

13 (2) CONTRARY PURPOSES.—Any payment made
14 by the Secretary pursuant to a cooperative agree-
15 ment under this subsection shall be subject to an
16 agreement that conversion, use, or disposal of the
17 project so assisted for purposes contrary to the pur-
18 pose of this Act, as determined by the Secretary,
19 shall result in a right of the United States to reim-
20 bursement of all funds made available to such a
21 project or the proportion of the increased value of
22 the project attributable to such funds as determined
23 at the time of such conversion, use, or disposal,
24 whichever is greater.

25 (c) TECHNICAL AND PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE.—

26 The Secretary may provide to any person technical assist-

1 ance for the preservation of historic structures of, the
2 maintenance of the cultural landscape of, and local preser-
3 vation planning for, the historic park.

4 **SEC. 6. GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the last day of the
6 third fiscal year beginning after the date of enactment of
7 this Act, the Secretary shall, in consultation with the offi-
8 cials described in subsection (b), prepare a general man-
9 agement plan for the historic park.

10 (b) OFFICIALS CONSULTED.—The officials described
11 in this subsection are—

12 (1) an appropriate official of each appropriate
13 political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Penn-
14 sylvania that has jurisdiction over all or a portion of
15 the historic park; and

16 (2) an appropriate official of the Steel Industry
17 Heritage Corporation.

18 (c) SUBMISSION OF PLAN TO CONGRESS.—Upon the
19 completion of the general management plan, the Secretary
20 shall submit a copy of the plan to the Committee on En-
21 ergy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Com-
22 mittee on Resources of the House of Representatives.

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